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The situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, has seen an unprecedented sharp increase in military aggression and unilateral measures by Israel, the occupying Power. Over the past two weeks, Israel, the occupying Power, has declared and begun implementing a unilateral plan to create a so-called "buffer zone" in the northern Gaza Strip. This dangerous unilateral step, which effectively reverses the occupation's exit from the Gaza Strip, has been implemented through the incessant shelling and bombing of the northern Gaza Strip, including residential neighbourhoods. In fact, the occupying Power openly called on the Palestinian residents to vacate the targeted area, implicitly threatening them if they decided to stay in their homes and fields. The results have been devastating and have terrorized thousands of defenceless civilians living in the targeted area. Due to the unabated Israeli shelling and bombing of the northern Gaza Strip, at least four Palestinian civilians have been killed and scores of others injured. Additionally, substantial damage to homes, roads and bridges in the area has been inflicted.

Also in relation to the Gaza Strip, Israel, the occupying Power, continues to violate the internationally brokered Agreement on Movement and Access, reached on 15 November 2005. According to the Agreement, Israel was to allow bus convoy traffic between the Gaza Strip and the West Bank on Thursday, 15 December 2005. To date, the occupying Power continues to refuse to implement the Agreement, which is vital for the economic, political and social health of the Gaza Strip, the West Bank and East Jerusalem, as the Quartet, the World Bank and the rest of the international community confer.

These unilateral aggressive measures are potentially devastating to the efforts made by the international community to revive the Quartet road map and rebuild confidence. They are in flagrant violation of Israel's obligations under international humanitarian law as an occupying Power. Additionally, they expose Israel's intention to maintain the stranglehold and effective control over the Gaza Strip despite the withdrawal of its troops from within it. Moreover, these actions further jeopardize the Palestinian Authority's efforts to restore order in the Gaza Strip in

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preparation of the upcoming Legislative Council elections. More dangerously, these actions confirm the Israeli Government's intention to continue taking unilateral measures, including the consolidation of its occupation of East Jerusalem and the West Bank while denying the legitimate rights of Palestinians.

In addition to the continued military aggression of Israel against the Gaza Strip, the occupying Power has also carried out repeated military incursions into other Palestinian cities and villages, wreaking havoc and spreading death in the midst of Palestinian families. Furthermore, the continued escalation of the illegal Israeli policy of extra judicially executing Palestinian activists, in utter disregard of international law and the worth of human life, including the lives of innocent Palestinian bystanders who are often injured and killed in these vicious attacks, is also cause for serious concern. The latest such assassination was carried out yesterday, 4 January 2006, in the village of Taramah, south of Hebron, in the West Bank, when special Israeli occupation forces chased and shot dead 38-year-old Mustafa Ibrahim Mohamed. On 3 January, two activists, Said Abu Al-Jidian and Akram Qadas, were also assassinated by an air strike that targeted their car as it moved through a busy residential street. Prior to these latest incidents, a Palestinian activist, Khader Habib, survived an assassination attempt when an Israeli surveillance plane targeted his car on 14 December as he was driving in a crowded Gaza City residential neighbourhood. On the same day, four other Palestinian activists were assassinated and numerous bystanders injured following an attack on the victims' car in Gaza City.

Further complicating an already difficult situation, Israel, the occupying Power, has openly defied international calls for its cooperation in the issue of the upcoming Palestinian Legislative Council elections, especially in Occupied East Jerusalem. Specifically, Israel, the occupying Power, has increased its draconian measures throughout the West Bank and further restricted the movement of civilians and forbidden Palestinian candidates to campaign in the occupied city. In fact, on 3 January 2006, Israeli occupation soldiers harassed and heckled Palestinian candidates, including current Palestinian Legislative Council member and peace activist Hanan Ashrawi, whose bodyguard was also arrested by the occupation forces. Other candidates, such as Mustafa Al-Barghouthi and Ahmad Ghuneim, were also harassed and heckled before being evicted from Occupied East Jerusalem. These latest inflammatory actions were consistent with Israel's declared intransigent position not to allow Palestinian residents of Occupied East Jerusalem to exercise their democratic right to elect their representatives to the Palestinian Legislative Council as they did in 1996. Further inflaming emotions in Occupied East Jerusalem are recent reports that tunnels are being dug and museums being built under the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound, threatening the holy compound with collapse.

It is crucial to emphasize here that these steps threaten the entire election process, as they undermine the candidates' rights to campaign freely in their districts and citizens' rights to hear their candidates. Furthermore, the Palestinian leadership has made it absolutely clear that elections will not proceed if residents of Occupied East Jerusalem are not allowed to participate. Hence, the actions of Israel, the occupying Power, in Occupied East Jerusalem directly threaten this vital political step in the Occupied Palestinian Territory.

Israel's flagrant violations of its obligations under the road map and international law have not stopped there. Israel, the occupying Power, continues to act in flagrant violation of the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice, rendered on 9 July 2004, on the legality of building a wall in the Occupied

Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem. A year ago, the occupying Power declared the completion of the first section of the illegal wall, running from Jenin to Qalqiliya in the West Bank. The second phase is also under way and is marked by rapid construction around Jerusalem, Ramallah, Bethlehem and Hebron. Just this week, Israeli occupation forces confiscated 53 dunums of Palestinian land in the villages of Yatta, Dhahiriya and Sammu, south of Hebron, while in the historic village of Abboud near Ramallah, construction of the wall is ongoing in four different directions. Meanwhile, and away from public attention Israel, the occupying Power, is now engaged in the third phase of the wall, which will annex and ethnically cleanse the Jordan Valley, in the process confiscating thousands of acres of Palestinian land and demolishing hundreds of homes. Also in serious violation of international law and Security Council resolutions was the decision taken by Shaul Mofaz, the Israeli Defence Minister, on 14 December to allow the construction of 40 new houses in the illegal settlements of Baracha, Nokdim and Ariel in the northern West Bank and 200 new houses in the illegal settlement of Maaleh Adumim, which lies a few kilometres to the east of Occupied Jerusalem.

The international community, in accordance with the rules and principles of international law, including international humanitarian law, has clear responsibilities in terms of ensuring the proper conduct of the occupying Power, including compliance with its legal obligations and commitments. Moreover, measures must be taken to prevent the escalation of this Israeli military campaign against the Palestinian civilian population, which remains helpless and without any protection from the brute force of the occupying Power. The continuation and intensification of Israel's military campaign against the Palestinian people will clearly lead only to more bloodshed and suffering by innocent civilians on both sides, which should be avoided at all costs.

The present letter is in follow-up to our previous 227 letters to you regarding the ongoing crisis in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, since 28 September 2000. These letters, dated from 29 September 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921) to 8 December 2005 (A/ES-10/313-S/2005/771) constitute a basic record of the crimes committed by Israel, the occupying Power, against the Palestinian people since September 2000. For all these war crimes, State terrorism and systematic human rights violations committed against the Palestinian people, Israel, the occupying Power, must be held accountable and the perpetrators brought to justice.

Accordingly, in follow-up to the above-mentioned letters, it is my profound regret to inform you that, since our last letter to you, at least 30 more Palestinians have been killed by the Israeli occupying forces, raising the total number of martyrs killed since September 2000 to 3,804. (The names of the martyrs that have been identified are listed in the annex to the present letter.)

I would be grateful in you would arrange to have the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 5, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Riyad **Mansour**
Ambassador
Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations

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Names of martyrs killed by the Israeli occupying forces in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem (Monday, 14 November 2005, to Wednesday, 4 January 2006)

Monday, 14 November 2005

1. Imad Abdelal
2. Misbah Salem Ali Al-Aydi

Thursday, 17 November 2005

1. Ahmed Saber Mahmoud Abahera
2. Mahmoud Jamal Mohammad Zidane

Friday, 18 November 2005

Zayd Omar Abdelkader Abu Esha

Wednesday, 23 November 2005

Saleh Fayez Ahmad Fakha

Thurday, 8 December 2005

1. Mahmoud Al-Arkan
2. Eyad Al-Najjare
3. Eyad Kaddas

Sunday, 11 December 2005

1. Khadre Rayan
2. Eyad El-Hashashe

Tuesday, 13 December 2005

Mohammad Al-Qara

Wednesday, 14 December 2005

1. Hamdane Mhana
2. Husam Abu Al-Nada
3. Mohammad Joha
4. Rashad Erhayem

Thursday, 15 December 2005

Yasser Kamile

Friday, 16 December 2005

Mahmoud Ali Hussain Shawawra

Saturday, 17 December 2005

1. Khaled Samir Abu Sitta
2. Lokmane Abu Zekry (17 years old)

Wednesday, 21 December 2005

Zayed Solaiman Shalhoub

Thursday, 22 December 2005

1. Bashar Abdellatif Hanani
2. Annas Ahmad Mahmoud Al-Shaikh
3. Ahmad Abderaouf Al-Jayoussi
4. Ibrahim Ahmad Mostafa Al-Naanaa

Saturday, 31 December 2005

1. Hamza Jehad Hamdouna
2. Moataz Ahmad Moslimi Hamdouna

Tuesday, 3 January 2006

1. Said Abu Al-Jidian
2. Akram Qadas

Wednesday, 4 January 2006

Mustafa Ibrahim Mohamed

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The situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, continues to deteriorate due to the Israeli military assault being carried out against the Palestinian people. Over the past several days, the Israeli occupying forces have laid siege on the West Bank town of Jenin, preventing residents from freely moving into and out of the city while carrying out repeated military invasions against the Palestinian civilian population. The siege, which has strictly barred the Palestinian residents of Jenin from leaving or reaching other nearby towns and villages, came during the Muslim holiday of Eid Al-Adha, when Muslims traditionally spend the day visiting family and friends. Today, the siege continues, and Israeli occupying forces, backed by over 30 military vehicles and an armed bulldozer, entered the Jenin refugee camp and killed two Palestinian civilians. During the same incursion, Israeli occupying forces forcibly entered and ransacked several Palestinian homes, detaining a number of Palestinians.

In addition, the Israeli occupying forces have further tightened the closures imposed on the northern areas of the West Bank from the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory, preventing Palestinian residents from travelling to Ramallah and areas in the south. The travel ban, which has been imposed by the occupying forces since the second week of December 2005, has affected over 800,000 Palestinians of the West Bank cities of not only Jenin, but also Tulkarem and Nablus and their surrounding villages. As of 2 January 2006, the ban applied only to Palestinians residing in Jenin and Tulkarem. However, since then, it has been extended to Palestinians residing in Nablus. This travel ban constitutes a blatant form of collective punishment against the civilian Palestinian population, an action strictly prohibited under international humanitarian law. This siege has not only isolated the Palestinian people from the outside world, but has also immobilized them even within their towns and villages, preventing them from carrying out even the most basic daily activities. This siege has gravely intensified the socio-economic hardships being suffered by the entire Palestinian population.

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As the Israeli occupying forces continue to commit breaches of international law and human rights violations against the Palestinian people on a daily basis, they seriously risk further aggravating the already tense and grave situation on the ground in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem. Measures must be undertaken to ensure that Israel complies with international law, including international humanitarian law, and all other existing agreements signed between the two sides. Only under such conditions can the situation be prevented from further and irreparably deteriorating and can a climate truly conducive to the pursuit of peace actually emerge and thrive.

This letter is in follow-up to our previous 228 letters to you regarding the ongoing crisis in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, since 28 September 2000. These letters, dated from 29 September 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921) to 5 January 2006 (A/ES-10/314-S/2006/11) constitute a basic record of the crimes committed by Israel, the occupying Power, against the Palestinian people since September 2000. For all of these war crimes, State terrorism and systematic human rights violations committed against the Palestinian people, Israel, the occupying Power, must be held accountable and the perpetrators must be brought to justice.

Accordingly, in follow-up to the above-mentioned letters, it is my profound regret to inform you that, since our last letter to you, at least two more Palestinians have been killed by the Israeli occupying forces, raising the total number of martyrs killed since September 2000 to 3,806. (The names of the martyrs that have been identified are listed in the annex to the present letter.)

I would be grateful if you would arrange to have the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 5, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Dr. Riyad **Mansour**
Ambassador
Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations

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Names of martyrs killed by the Israeli occupying forces in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem*

Friday, 13 January 2006

1. Motaz Abu Khalil
2. Ali Abu Khazana

* The total number of Palestinian martyrs killed by the Israeli occupying forces since 28 September 2000 is 3,806.

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In the past week, the situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, has been marked by a systematic effort on the part of Israel, the occupying Power, to obstruct and thwart the planned Legislative Council elections, scheduled for 25 January, and the serious efforts of the Palestinian Authority to maintain calm and resume negotiations. This systematic Israeli effort has entailed the harassment and detention of election candidates and their staff, the escalation of violence against Palestinian population centres through more frequent and deadly incursions, the extrajudicial execution of Palestinian activists and the continued restrictions on movement imposed on Palestinian civilians.

Despite international efforts made to ensure that Israel, the occupying Power, fulfils its obligations regarding the facilitation of Palestinian elections in occupied East Jerusalem, the occupying Power has announced that it will allow elections, with the stipulation that it will decide who can run election campaigns or participate in the elections come 25 January. This announcement, rejected by the Palestinian Authority as it stands in stark contravention of the signed agreement regarding elections also goes against the spirit of democracy that the Palestinian people and the international community are working tirelessly to cement in the Palestinian political system. Additionally, the actions of the Israeli occupation forces in this regard have been reprehensible in occupied East Jerusalem, specifically, and the rest of the West Bank, more generally. In the past week, candidates from a variety of political groups and backgrounds have been hassled, harassed and, even worse, arrested. Campaign offices in occupied East Jerusalem have also been repeatedly raided and closed down by the occupation forces. Here, we must stress that these unwarranted and antagonistic actions by the occupying Power threaten Palestinian democracy and more immediately the prospect of holding elections altogether on schedule.

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Concurrent with these developments is the increase in military assaults carried out by Israeli occupation forces against Palestinian cities, villages and refugee camps. Such assaults continuously cause the death and injury of innocent civilians in addition to the destruction of property and the long-term devastation brought on the local economy. On 15 January, one such military assault turned into a devastating tragedy for one family in the village of Rujeeb, near Nablus. During the dawn hours of that day, Israeli Special Forces raided and encircled the home of the Al-Halabi family in Rujeeb. When Nawal, 50 years old, opened the door to see the reason behind the commotion around her house, she was shot 15 times and killed by the occupation soldiers. Her son Fawzi, 20 years old, was also shot dead. The tragedy did not stop there, as the occupation soldiers continued to fire indiscriminately at family members attempting to rescue the mother and son as well as signal to the soldiers that they were unarmed civilians. The results were devastating, with the injury of Munjed, the father, in addition to three of his sons and a daughter. The tragedy of the Al-Halabi family shocked the entire nation and made calls for continued calm on the Palestinian side seem futile, as Palestinian families continue to witness such untold tragedies befall innocent families across the country without cause or justification.

In addition to the military incursions, Israeli occupation forces continue to carry out Israel's illegal policy of extrajudicial execution of Palestinians. The latest such execution was carried out against 23-year-old Thabet Salah Al-Din in Tulkarm on 17 January. His assassination, along with the assaults against other Palestinians, has fuelled anger in the Occupied Palestinian Territory and further complicated official Palestinian steps taken to restore calm and order. More importantly, these extrajudicial executions are in grave violation of international law, including international humanitarian law.

On another front, Israel's flagrant violations of its obligations to the road map and international law have also produced an intensely violent situation in Hebron. For the past five days, Israeli settlers in Hebron's old city have been burning down Palestinian homes and shops, stoning Palestinian families and wreaking havoc in the city's old quarters. This situation highlights the danger that the continued illegal Israeli settlement activities pose to the safety of Palestinian civilians and their properties across the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem. It must also serve as further incentive for the international community to insist that Israel respect its obligations towards international law, particularly international humanitarian law, and cease the illegal settlement activities, including the construction of the wall, which the International Court of Justice deemed illegal on 9 July 2004.

The international community, in accordance with the rules and principles of international law, including international humanitarian law, has clear responsibilities in terms of ensuring the proper conduct of the occupying Power, including compliance with its legal obligations and commitments. Moreover, measures must be taken to prevent the further escalation of this Israeli military campaign against the Palestinian civilian population that remains helpless and without any protection from the brute force of the occupying Power. The continuation and intensification of Israel's military campaign against the Palestinian people will clearly lead only to more bloodshed and to more suffering by innocent civilians on both sides, which should be avoided at all costs.

This letter is in follow-up to our previous 229 letters to you regarding the ongoing crisis in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, since 28 September 2000. These letters, dated from 29 September 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921) to 13 January 2006 (A/ES-10/315-S/2006/20), constitute a basic record of the crimes committed by Israel, the occupying Power, against the Palestinian people since September 2000. For all of these war crimes, State terrorism and systematic human rights violations committed against the Palestinian people, Israel, the occupying Power, must be held accountable and the perpetrators must be brought to justice.

Accordingly, in follow-up to the above-mentioned letters, it is my profound regret to inform you that since our last letter to you, at least six more Palestinians have been killed by the Israeli occupying forces, raising the total number of martyrs killed since September 2000 to 3,761. (The names of the martyrs that have been identified are listed in the annex to the present letter.)

I would be grateful if you would arrange to have the text of the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 5, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Riyad **Mansour**
Ambassador
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Names of martyrs killed by the Israeli occupying forces in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem (Friday, 13 January, to Tuesday, 17 January 2006)

Friday, 13 January 2006

1. Jamal Al-Sharkh Al-Aid
2. Moataz Tahcine Abu Khalil
3. Ali Abdelatif Abu Khalil

Sunday, 15 January 2006

1. Nawal Douikate Al-Halabi
2. Fawzi Monjid Al-Halabi

Tuesday, 17 January 2006

Thabet Mahmoud Salah Al-Din Iyada

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Since my last letter to you on 18 January 2006, the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, has witnessed significant political developments, namely the conclusion of democratic and transparent elections. Conversely, these positive developments in Palestine's efforts to cement democracy as a way of life and despite the obstruction of occupation, Israel, the occupying Power, has wasted no time in escalating the situation on the ground by intensifying its military incursions into Palestinian towns and resuming, with marked intensity, its unlawful campaign of extrajudicial executions of Palestinians.

In the past week, Israeli occupying forces have carried out six separate extrajudicial attacks, resulting in the execution of twelve Palestinians and the injury of several others. In fact, Israeli occupying forces committed three of the extrajudicial executions in less than an eight-hour period. The most recent of these extrajudicial executions occurred today, 7 February 2006, while the present letter was being drafted. In this connection, two Palestinians were killed when Israeli occupying forces fired two missiles from a helicopter gunship targeting a car in Gaza City. Moreover, Israeli occupying forces continued with its raid and artillery bombardment in northern Gaza, bombing a bridge and six roads. One shell hit a home, critically injuring a 15-year-old girl. In another incident in the West Bank town of Nablus, Ahmed Radad was killed instantly by Israeli occupying forces during an early morning raid.

Yesterday, 6 February 2006, Israeli helicopters fired at least three missiles at a car driving through a residential area near Beit Lahia in the northern Gaza Strip. The missile attack killed Rami Hannouneh and Hasan Asfour in addition to injuring several innocent bystanders who happened to be driving or walking past the scene of the attack.

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Furthermore, during the early morning hours of 5 February 2006, two Palestinians were killed in yet another extrajudicial execution attack when missiles struck their car as they were driving in Gaza City's Al-Zaitoun neighbourhood. Four bystanders were also injured in the attack, one of them seriously. Hours prior to this attack, late on 4 February 2006, Israeli helicopters fired several missiles at Al-Shams sports club in southern Gaza City, then chased the injured as they were being rescued and driven to the hospital with at least two additional missiles. The missile attack killed 18-year-old Naser Marshoud, Hani Al-Qayed and Yassin Barghouth, as well as injuring five others, one seriously.

On 31 January 2006, Israeli occupying forces shot dead Nidal Abu Sa'da and Ahmad Al-Tubasi in the village of Arraba, near Jenin in the northern West Bank. The occupying forces also injured four civilians in the attack.

These attacks have been incessant, as the chronology clearly demonstrates. More dangerously, these unlawful attacks, which amount to war crimes and indicate an abject disdain for the worth of Palestinian lives, threaten to ignite an already extremely tense situation on the ground. Additionally, this deadly campaign against Palestinians jeopardizes all efforts exerted at the present time to extend the period of calm and work on transferring powers to the new Palestinian Government in a smooth and efficient manner. These deadly attacks exert an additional and unbearable amount of pressure on the Palestinian people and leadership and threaten to spin the situation out of control, drowning both sides in a renewed cycle of violence and suffering that could and should be averted.

In addition to the intensified extrajudicial execution campaign, Israel, the occupying Power, has also carried out at least 81 military incursions into Palestinian cities and villages and continues to arrest scores of Palestinians. These military incursions spread death, destruction, anger, and sorrow in the midst of Palestinian families, and they are part of a systematic policy adopted by the occupying Power to choke life, hope, and stability out of the lives of Palestinian families across the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem. The story of 9-year-old Aya Al-Astal who was shot dead near the Kisufim crossing in the Gaza Strip on 26 January 2006, after having gotten lost while returning home from school, clearly demonstrates the deadly effects of this violent policy.

The continuation of aggression committed by the Israeli occupying forces against the Palestinian people, including the continuation of its illegal policy of extrajudicial executions, should be condemned by the international community. Israel, the occupying Power, will continue to deliberately commit its heinous crimes only as long as it continues to believe it can act against the Palestinian people under its occupation with impunity. In this regard, we urge the international community to take the necessary measures to compel Israel to cease forthwith its flagrant violations of international law and international humanitarian law, particularly the Fourth Geneva Convention of 12 August 1949.

The present letter is in follow-up to our previous 230 letters to you regarding the ongoing crisis in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, since 28 September 2000. Those letters, dated from 29 September 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921) to 19 January 2006 (A/ES-10/316-S/2006/30) constitute a basic record of the crimes committed by Israel, the occupying Power, against the Palestinian people since September 2000. For all of these war crimes, State terrorism and systematic human rights violations committed against the Palestinian people, Israel,

the occupying Power, must be held accountable and the perpetrators must be brought to justice.

Accordingly, in follow-up to the above-mentioned letters, it is my profound regret to inform you that, since our last letter to you, at least ten more Palestinians have been killed by the Israeli occupying forces, raising the total number of martyrs killed since September 2000 to 3,774. (The names of the martyrs that have been identified are listed in the annex to the present letter.)

I would be grateful if you would arrange to have the text of the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 5, and of the Security Council.

Riyad **Mansour**
Ambassador
Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations

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Names of martyrs killed by the Israeli occupying forces in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem* (Wednesday, 25 January to Tuesday, 7 February 2006)

Thursday, 26 January 2006

1. Aya Mohamed Al-Astal (9 years old)

Tuesday, 31 January 2006

1. Nidal Abu Sa'da
2. Ahmed Al-Tubasi

Sunday, 5 February 2006

1. Naser Ramadan Marshoud (18 years old)
2. Hani Taha Al-Qayed
3. Yassin Barghouth
4. Jihad Al-Sawafri
5. Adnan Boustane Abu Jandale

Monday, 6 February 2006

1. Hassan Ossfour
2. Ramy Hannouneh

Tuesday, 7 February 2006

1. Ahmed Radad
2. Mohammed Abu Shareya
3. Suhale Baqer

* The total number of Palestinian martyrs killed by the Israeli occupying forces since 28 September 2000 is 3,744.